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1. US position on Yugoslav candidacy for Security Council—The Department of State has instructed the US delegation to the UN to vote for Yugoslavia as successor to the Ukraine in the Security Council so long as there is a strong sentiment in the General Assembly favoring Yugoslavia's election. The Department adds that if a GA majority does not favor Yugoslavia, the US delegation should vote for the Eastern European state which receives Soviet support. The Department indicates that this position is based in part on the fact that US relations with Yugoslavia would be injured if the Yugoslavia knew that their candidacy was not supported by the US. The Department believes, however, that it is of utmost importance to avoid any impression that the US is sponsoring or is a prime mover in promoting Yugoslavia's election to the SC.

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